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1. The following were present:

	Dr. Appleton	State
	*Mr. Fletcher	State
	Lt. Col. Ruwet	Army
	Capt. Maher	Navy
	Lt. Cdr. Nutt	Navy
	Lt. Col. Gould	Air Force
	Lt. Col. Wade	Air Force
	Maj. Belongia	Air Force
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	[REDACTED]	CIA
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*New Alternate Member from State.

2. The Chairman brought to the attention of the members the facilities of the External Research Staff, Department of State. This organization, an element of ORS but maintaining close liaison with CIA, performs the following functions:

- a. Explores the research activities and research capabilities of institutions of learning throughout the country.
- b. Makes available to intelligence agencies information on the above and on what intelligence agency contracts the various institutions are engaged - the latter to assist in eliminating duplication of contracts.

A considerable amount of information is on hand concerning research now being done which applies to the basic intelligence field. This information is to be found in the office of the Chief, External Research Staff, Mr. Evron M. Kirkpatrick, Room 601, State Department Annex No. 1 (Code 191 - X5492), and is available to members of the Intelligence Agencies.

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It was proposed that portions of [REDACTED] be undertaken in the field at this time. In this connection it was pointed out that, with these areas under occupation by our forces, there is an opportunity to collect basic intelligence data at this time

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which will not exist when our forces have been withdrawn. The State member said that his agency is proceeding along this line in Korea and probably would consider doing so [REDACTED]. The Army member said that his agency is doing so with regard to Chapter III and Supplement III in Germany; that there is a special group of Japanese working on a geographic project in [REDACTED] and that FECOM has been given Standard Instructions for National Intelligence Surveys as a basic collection directive. The Navy member said that his agency is unable to undertake any expanded missions in those countries because of shortage of naval personnel. The following was the consensus:

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- a. The question can be better handled as a coordinated project through the IAC than by the individual agencies.

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- c. Draft of proposal for DCI consideration should be prepared by the Chairman for discussion at the next meeting.

4. In order that communications may be properly addressed, it was announced that the official designation "D/Ba" has been changed to "D/NIS".

5. Drafts of the revisions of the following elements of Standard Instructions for NIS were distributed to the members for study prior to the next meeting of the Committee:

- Chapter II (Military Geography), outline and outline guide
- Chapter III (Transportation and Telecommunications),
outline and outline guide
- Chapter IX (Map and Chart Appraisal), outline and outline
guide
- Supplement No. I (Ports and Naval Facilities), outline
guide
- Supplement No. III (Telecommunications), outline guide

State and Army members reported that the drafts for revisions of the outlines and outline guides for the following elements will be ready for distribution shortly:


- Chapter IV (Sociological)
- Chapter V (Political)
- Chapter VI (Economic)
- Chapter VIII (Armed Forces)

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State and Army members were requested to distribute these revisions, should they be finished before the next meeting, directly to the other members. The Chairman said that he would distribute at the next meeting a proposed revision of the outline and outline guide for Chapter I (Brief). The Air Force member recommended that Supplement No. II (Air Facilities) be discontinued and that the material now appearing in Supplements II be included in Subsection 83J (Air Facilities). The consensus was that the outline guide for Subsection 83J, revised in accordance with this proposal, should be examined by the Committee prior to arrival at a decision on the matter.


6. The next meeting was scheduled for 1000 hours, Tuesday, 6 December 1949, at CIA.

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